Sing Sing N.Y. Aug 1/881

Mr William Brewster

Dear Sir.

I am in doubt in regard to two Helminthophagae, which I shot in company with Mr Eugene Bicknell at this place, July 24th. so write to you to ask if you will clear up this doubt. The first specimen resembles H. leucobronchialis in every particular, except the auriculars are black. this is some what concealed imperiously by a few drab feather but these do not in the least encroach upon the white throat. The black in front & behind the eye is interrupted by white extending up from the throat, and also the white eyelid. As near as I can tell the specimen is a juv. ♀ still it may be an adult ♀. there was no much blood & fluid near the ovary.

that it was hard to tell which it was, tho the skull seemed too soft for an adult.

The second specimen resembles a very bright H. sparrius. but differs in some particulars. The color is that greenish yellow which is nearly identical with that of a young H. sparagnicus in the fall. The bill is larger than the average sparrius. The crown is brighter than the back but not really yellow. The wing bars are yellow. (as bright as a ♀ H. chrysoptera) This bird I am certain is an adult ♀ its skull was hard. and ovarii (which were also bloody). seemed as if they had been more developed than now, as they looked granular. though a lens.

If you would like to see the birds before you give your decisions I will send them to you.

When you arrive home.

Do not hurry to answer this.
as I am in no particular hurry.

Hoping this will not trouble
you.

I am Yours.

A. K. Fisher. M.D

D. A. K. Fisher
Aug. 1, 1881

Box 251.101(1)

Sing Sing N.Y. Aug 11/881

Mr William Brewster

Dear Sir

I send three Hel=
=minthophagae by express today. for
you to examine

No 1208. is I think, a jov ♀ as I stated
in my first note to you. but I ~~also~~ send
its body so that you may examine it
and see what conclusion you come to.
(if you can come to any. with such a
preparation)

No 1210 with little doubt. is H. pinus
but rather peculiar plumage.

No. 1235. ad ♂ H. leucobronchialis. killed
it ~~Aug~~ Aug 3

Have been sick even since, so that I
have been unable to look out for more.

Yours.

A. K. Fisher.

Dr. A. K. Fisher
Aug. 11, 188[illegible]

A. K. Fisher
Aug. 16, 1881.

Sing Sing Aug 16/881

Mr. William Brewster.
Dear Sir

Your letter read yesterday, and greatly interests me. When I first shot #1210 I felt that it was a ♀ H. leucocephalus. Afterwards I thought it might be a peculiar H. pinus it was noticeably different from H. pinus in the tree. The flock from which I shot it was made up of 1208. fine or bird H. pinus. D. aestiva - Parus. (8-10) and minutella varia.

No! I am not position that 1208 is a ♀ the abdominal cavity was full of blood & fluid and after carefully washing this out. I imagined I saw the ovaries, (could not see the testes.) I sent the body of 1208 so that

you might examine it, and see if you could determine the sex..

I am glad to be able to help you, and for you to use my specimen; but I fear that the specimen which I will send you in a day or two will be of little use. Into out it is H. leucobimbalis. (#605) I have a dozen more specimens of H. spinus but in summer plunge and the few fall specimens which I retain, show nothing peculiar. Still if you think you would like to see them I will send them. When I arrived home from Lake George. I send no. 332 because it shows a tendency towards white eyelids

I should like to record the specimens of H. leucobimbalis in the "Bulletin" but of course this will

not interfere with you at all.

I will probably start the birds off tomorrow.

If you should wish to communicate with me between now and Sept 1 direct to Lake George Warren Co N.Y.
care of W. W. Lockhart

Yours A. K. Fisher.

P.S. Sorry to say I have been unable to kill any more specimens of H. leucolomalis since I last wrote.

Dr. Fisher
Nov. 26, 1881.

Sing Sing Nov 26/881

Mr. William Brewster.

Dear Sir.

Since the issue of the Oct. Bulletin. I have intended writing you. but one thing and another has prevented me. more especially a delightful trip through the Mountains of Northern N.Y. with Dr. C.H. Merriam. collecting specimen has delayed my writing. I have to thank you for the paper on H. leucobronchialis and the compliment you pay the Hudson valley collectors

Your reviews of two works on Ornithology pleased me. for there is nothing which I like to see so well as a fair review of a book. and that is what I think you

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Sing Sing N.Y.
Aug 12 1882

Mr. Wm Grinstein
Dear Sir

I write to ask a favor of you, in regard to bird cases. Dr Merriam tells me that you have some metallic boxes, with trays in them, which are motto tight. If you have no objection, will you send me a rude diagram of the box, and tell me the size you think best, & the approximate cost.

Yesterday I was fortunate enough to kill two more specimens of H. hirundinalis (that was) I have a vivid cover that [illegible]

[illegible] with H. L. Chrysopteros.

I expect to be at the first meeting of the Amer. Ornithologists' Union, & it will afford me great pleasure to meet you.

I am

Yours

[illegible]

Dr. A. K. Fiske

Aug. 12, 1883

Sing Sing N.Y. Jany 20/84

My dear Mr Brewster

Your letters of Jany 10th & 17th were rec'd. I delayed answering the former until I rec'd the bids, which I did not receive until Friday just before starting from N.Y. I don't understand why they were so long coming. I very much suspect there is something crooked in our Ex. office. Will you tell me if you had to pay anything on the package I sent? I prepaid it through, and whether you prepaid the package you sent me. For on this package something was marked out, and by holding it up to the light I could see. Paid; but could not

Dr. A. K. Fisher
Jan. 20, 1884

make out ~~the~~ the amount. and in the same pencil mark that scratched this out, was written collect 50 cts. which I paid. The reason I am so particular is because this is not the first time I have had trouble, and if there has been any cheating this time I propose to make it the last. I am perfectly willing to pay the express charge. but not if it has been paid once before. The birds are splendid, and they are entirely satisfactory, but I cannot consider our exchange as settled, until I make up the deficiency in my part, which I will do some time during the present season. A few winter birds

are making their appearance. such as Pericles
& Aegiothus
I hope to see the Ark before many days

With best regards

Yours sincerely

A. K. Fisher.

Lake George N.Y.
Nov 2 1892

Dear Mr. Brewster

I write to ask you if you will bring me your type of Otocoris a. alpestris when you go to Washington to the A.O.C. meeting?

The National Museum have no specimen of adusta. I received some boundaries at Fort Huachuca Arizona during the breeding season of April and May. I wish to compare them with the type which I believe was taken in February.

I am up here on a little outing — Have shot 23 grouse or 3 woodcock and have had some fine hunts.

A. K. Fisher.
Nov. 2 - 1892.

It has been [illegible] and the [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] -

With [illegible]

Yours

A. K. Fisher.

Washington, D.C.
Nov. 21, 1892

Dear Mr. Brewster

I return by express the "types" of Otocoris alpest. adusta which you so kindly loaned me. I find my breeding specimens are referable to this race, tho' they show (as might be expected) less yellow about the head, as they were taken in May and June instead of Feby.

Of course you did not describe this subspecies but I am surprised to see that you allow the word Type to occur on more than one specimen. I think Henshaw's experience with the Type of O. a. rubea is a good text in this connection.

I was very sorry that you could not get on here

A. K. Fisher.
Nov. 21-1892.

to the A.O.U. meeting as were
all the rest.

Again thanking you for
your kindness I am,
without wishes
Yours
A.K.F.

Washington D.C.
Jany 28, 1894

Dear Mr. Brewster,

I must admit that I am considerably disappointed in regard to your decision about my collection, as informed by your favor of the 25 inst.

I do not consider that my price is high (for the great majority of the specimens are of selection material, as you granted), and a few years ago I would not have considered that price, even.

Now, on acct of loss of some money, I need consider most any fair offer, and I write to ask if you have determined not to buy the collection at any price, or whether you will make me an offer?

With kind regards

Yours

A. K. Fisher

A. K. Fisher.
Jany. 28 - 1894.

A. K. Fisher
Dec. 2 - 1894.

U. S. Dept. Agriculture
Washington D. C.
December 2 1894

Dear Mr. Brewster

By a strange coincidence I wrote to Mr. Cory at my home yesterday, and in the afternoon walked down to the office and found your letter of Nov 30.

I was advised to write to Mr. C. by Mr. Sage who learned at the A.O.U. meeting that he had some money to buy collections.

I told Mr. Cory that I would sell my 4000 bird skins (packed and delivered to the transportation company at Washington) for $2500.00

I further told him that you or Mr. Henshaw could inform him as to the quality of the skins.

I understand he has been offered a lot of trash. Now if you care to, you can probably do me a great favor, by writing to him and saying what you have said to me about the quality of the skins. If you remember you told me they averaged as good as any collection you ever saw. Not knowing me well, he may think I have a lot of poor stuff to get rid of.

I informed him that a large number of the birds were eastern species, tho' a number of western ones were fairly well represented, also that the strength of the collection was in the larger series, ranging from nestlings to adult birds.

Dr. Holub (of African fame) is enthusiastic over our method of making bird skins. He was so anxious to know ~~the~~ each detail that I killed poor Passer and skinned and made it up for him.

C.H.M. is much better but I fear it will be a long long time before he is well.

Yes! I am delighted to hear of Uncle Hershan's improvement. I sent him some of my war (aux) cartridges to shoot birds, and told him to look the other way when he passed a group of ♀ natives, in the Sandwich Ids.

How I have missed my grouse shooting this fall. Unfortunately I have not three or four birds (as I hear you have) which will afford sport for the entire fall!

With best wishes

Yours A. K. Fisher

Washington D.C.
April 14 1895

My dear Mr. Brewster

Lately Dr. Stejneger
rec'd a long letter of "Uncle"
Henshaw about lizards etc
and he was apparently in good
health and spirits.
He wrote from Hilo, Hawaii
Ill. Have you heard any
sense or actual statement that
he might settle in the Sandwich
Ids?
I think you gave about the
"perfectly plain English" spoking grouse,
and your statements about the
lantern mouth bat of Trinidad
proves that Washington society
could not (if it wanted to)

Fisher – A.K.
April 14, 1895.

affect you. I think I shall warn the younger members of the fraternity to be on their guard when they visit Cambridge. It is bad! too bad!

Ch. is looking (and feeling) much better, now if he will take a long summer in the fields I think he will come out all right.

Yours sincerely

H. W. Fisher

Washington D.C.
May 19, 1895.

My dear Brewster

Your favor rec'd — When I wrote to you about offering my collections to the Calif. Acad. Sci., I did not expect you to write to Leonis in way of the favor, still I am very glad you did, and am much obliged to you for so doing. I know you were never a less interested in it and thought to keep you posted. Really and truly I could do more good there than any where in the U.S.

I think if Dr Harkness was
to look upon it favorably, that
would decide the going.

Well I am delighted with
Chapman's "Hand Book" – I
find proof of the boy.

Do you know I think it is
quite remarkable how close
you recede and mine run along
together (allowing of course for
your station being a little further
north). Don't it strike you
that way?

Either you or some grouse will
come to grief one of these fine
days.

Yours sincerely

A. K. Fisher

Fisher – A.K.
May 19, 1895

Washington D.C.
June 16 1895

Dear Franklin

I am sure I am obliged to you for writing to Dr Loomis about my collection. He wrote to me that your letter would be of great assistance to him in putting the matter before the Trustees.

He mentioned that the matter could not come up before the July meeting of the Board as they had to consider the purchase of a collection at the June meeting.

I hope the Collection considered in June will not cut out mine.

Dr. Stejneger who is on his way to Alaska & has now left San F. promised to speak to Dr. Eisen (who admires Dr. S. and who has influence with Dr. Harkness) He had previously written to Dr. Eisen to use his influence with the ornithologist and others for the purchase of the collection.

I rec'd a letter for "Uncle" Henshaw the other day he is about well and says we will see him soon. He says he will do some talking for the collection.

I should have written to you sooner but have been

off in the Dismal Swamp, Va. It is a grand place. I took Swanson's warbler there; prothonotary's and hooded are common. I did better work in mammals that finds tho' this the hardest place to trap I was ever in.

I think if I had remained a little longer I would have become web footed

C.H. came down & spent a couple of days in there with me.

With kind regards

I am, Yours sincerely

H. K. Fisher

Fisher – A.S.C.
June 16, 1895.

Washington D.C.
Nov 24 1895

My dear Brewster,

Oh! but you are a mean whiteman. I don't see how you could have lived as long as you have and escaped hanging! Passing strange this!

These few feeble remarks are not prompted by the contents of a letter from you. The letter I understand is merely revenge because I could not believe some of your Trinidad stories. I know "that the wasps attack the best fruit".

But to think of you, instead of talking over his third volume with Bendire — to skip off and write a letter telling him I stirred you up to write the letter. Oh! but you are a bad one!

Well! Wednesday last Bendire went gunning for me, but as I was on the defensive I had a slight advantage from the first, while advantage increased as we proceeded. I talked plainly to him and told him I heartily endorsed

that I would talk to his [illegible] of such a [illegible] to describe [illegible] strange [illegible] shut down [illegible] and are [illegible] to live a [illegible] life [illegible] J.A.A.

Fisher — A.R.
Nov. 24, 1895

whatever said. ~~I told I~~ He brought up the question of funds, saying that money was not available. I told him that I had learned on good authority that as soon as he could furnish the MMS, money was forthcoming — He said he would like to see that in writing He went in to C.H. for consolation, but I guess got a stiffer dose than from us —. C.H. is going to see Goode and get him to make a fair offer to Bendire — I will let you know what progress (if any) is made.

I did not care to have you mention my name for I had talked it over with him before, and thought it might injure the cause.

Bendire complains that his work is not appreciated in this country — and that he does not receive proper notices (which he does from abroad) from standard scientific journals. I do not blame him for thinking the notice in the Auk (IX. 375) a very poor one; I have seen better notices of a few leaflets in the same journal. I wish you would review (not notice) the second volume, then I am sure it would be justly treated.

If he could insert the descriptions of a few scrub subspecies, undoubtedly his book would receive proper attention, but I am free to confess

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
DIVISION OF ORNITHOLOGY AND MAMMALOGY,
WASHINGTON, D. C

Dec. 5, 1895

My dear Brewster

Do you know of any address for Hanbury?
A letter written a month ago (addressed to Fruitvale) has been returned to me unclaimed.

Your favor of the 21st ultimo was rec'd.

I hope you may be able to review Vol II of Burchell's 'Self-Histories'. We can not complain of the foreign reviews of Vol I. In fact he is much pleased with them. What I have seen of

Fisher - A. K.
Dec. 5, 1895.

foreign reviews convinces me that we are far behind ~~them~~ in this kind of writing.

Framing a few paragraphs from an introduction unto a beginning and an ending of a sentence or two is not altogether satisfactory to an author.

I wonder what a certain Dr. Elliot (of Kingsbridge, Devon) thinks of a society who will elect a man as president who forgets to propose him (Dr Elliot) as corresponding member after promising too? Don't you think he considers the president better qualified for the [illegible] club?

Yours sincerely A. K. F.

Washington D.C.
Dec. 24, 1895

My dear Brewster

Your kind favor just received. Purdie misunderstood me for I have not been to Lake George this year

My friends wrote me tho' that pine grosbeaks came early but how early I can't say as I have misplaced the letter. I think I told you about it when you were here.

I am going to write up three in a few days and will ask them, when the grosbeaks first came, how abundant they are, what they feed on, and the proportion of red males. When I receive the reply I will advise you

Many thanks for your letter of Dec 10, and for Uncle Henshaw's address.

I fear you were a little put out at what I said about Dr. Elliot of Devon. I judge this merely because you go so much into detail in way of explanation. You must not get hurt old fellow at any thing I may say to you,

for hurting your feelings is furthest from my intentions

On Nov. 24 Mr. McIlwaite wrote me as follows xxxxx "Dr Elliot Kingsbridge Devonshire who not long since wrote me that Mr. Brewster had promised to have him elected as a corresponding member of the A.O.U. I had written to Mr. Dutcher to say a word in his behalf when the name came up, but it did not come up and not knowing who was to propose it he could do nothing"

When I write to him I will give him a synopsis of what you have written me

I rec'd a telegram from Mr. Cory for Eau Gallie Fla asking the lowest cash price I would take for my collection, in case I still had it. I answered that I had offered it elsewhere but in case it was not accepted I would advise him.

I am taking the last two weeks of the year away from the office and enjoy the walks in the woods this fine weather. But I miss the birds so - Six (6) species was the greatest number seen in any one walk.

With best wishes for a Merry Xmas & Happy New Year

I am, Yours sincerely

A. K. Fisher

Fisher - A. S. V.

Dec. 24, 1895

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

January 3 1896

My dear Bonnister

Your welcome letter

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[illegible]

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

would give notice if it was [illegible]

[illegible] — I [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

as soon as possible.

I wrote to Mr. McIlwraith

giving the substance of what

you said about the Dr. Alcott

matter

I am much obliged for many days

to telegraph to Lorraine [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Fisher - A.K.

Jan. 3, 1896.

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

June 23, 1896.

Dear Mr. Brewster

Many thanks for your kind favor

I find out that it will be a long time before the Calif. Acad. will be in the condition to purchase collections. Consequently I have lost all hope of selling — I don't believe Mr. Cory need buy without I would let it go for half prices which I would not do unless I was starving.

I have heard that Mrs. Hurst (one in Washington) if properly approached would probably buy my collection

for the Calif. Acad. I don't know the friends of the Acad. well enough to pick out one from that business —

I am interested at present in Arizona birds — and at this moment in the distribution of Columbia flavirostris. This bird is a Tamaulipan species and as far as I know does not get out of that zone. The first reference to it as an Arizona bird is in the A.O.U. Checklist 1886.

Do you know upon what this insertion is based? Or do you know of any Arizona record except Capt. Carpenter's in Bendire's 'Life Histories' which refers I am sure

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to mention Opinion of C. fasciata.

C.H. has become a "bike crank."

He wise stop right in the middle of a mammalogic discussion to speak of the merits of a certain make of wheels.

Such is life.

Yours sincerely

W. K. Fisher

Fisher. A. S. C.
June 23rd. 1896

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

Nov. 2, 1896

Dear Brewster

Your kind [illegible] rec'd.

I am sorry to say [illegible]

Brewster is [illegible]. I [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible], [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] that

he was in no condition to

go on to Cambridge. I [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] —

I [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible]

[illegible] to [illegible] Vol II [illegible]

Fisher A. S. O.,
Nov 2nd. 1896.

I believe doing it
After ~~[illegible]~~ thinking over the
matter and looking over the list
of associate members I am
convinced that I was wrong
in advocating the increase in
the number of active members
and feel that it would injure
the society to increase the active
list to 75. I am sorry I
cannot vote against it
I am a separate [illegible] and
something which will assist
you in presiding with authority
dignity etc

Yours sincerely

A. K. Fisher

Fisher - A. K.,

Nov. 6th. 1896.

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

Nov. 6, 1896.

My dear Brewster:

Your kind favor of the 3rd inst. is received.

Major Burdine has changed his diet and is picking up. I spent an hour with him this morning and he looks and acts like a different man. I think the effect of the physical exercise is having a good result on his mental condition.

I have talked & written to Mr. Newhouse about the increase of active workers and most of them agree that it is best & [illegible]

the number as it now stands, Upon
Bardin acknowledges that there
are not many associates who ought
to be [illegible] — Speak to [illegible],
about it — I forgot to write to him
on the subject.

I am now going to bid to offer
one shelter & clean and I assure
you it makes me feel solemn
to have to stay it here — The
truth is I can't spare the money
to go —

With best wishes for a
successful & enjoyable meeting

I am Yours sincerely

— A. K. F.

P.S.
I hope Bardin will be [illegible] on the
council.

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January 27, 1898.

Dear Mr. Brewster

Your kind favor of the 26th rec'd. Through your extreme thoughtfulness (in enclosing the letter) I was able to run down the careless cus. who wrote you that Geographic letter.

Speaking of Geography the writer of the aforementioned letter early learned that such localities as the Inland Bran Farm, New England, or San José del Rancho, Lower California, through mostly very familiar place to certain authors, were rather vague to the people at large and rather difficult to locate even on the most approved and modern maps. He also learned that in a country like Mexico where small towns of the same name often exist in the same state, it is well to learn if possible which one is meant. Hence the question whether the Sea Seaguna which Mr. Frazer visited, was the one about 40 miles N.E. of San José del Cabo. Of course I imagine San José del Rancho is on the San José River but do not know positively.

In the case of Sialia mexicana baridi instead of writing Camp 110, New Mexico (which is an indefinite place to most people) the matter was carefully remarked and the lyfer card reads "from Camp 110 [Cactus

Ross, 20 mile east of Kingman, Mohave Co. Arizona.

Now that more modern methods are in vogue, and one type only is required (and not from two to a dozen, as formerly) will you kindly designate which are the types in the following cases —

Spizella m. ochracea
No. 7630 ♂
No. 7631 ♀

Megarhyn a. macfarlanei
No. 6457 ♂
No. 6456 ♀

Junco h. connectens
No. ♂
No. 7046 ♀

Fisher — A. K.
Jan. 27, 98.

Anything has lost his schooner in the Mexican coast, total loss (25000) all he had in the world — Hard luck! for both of [illegible].

What has become of Jeffries type of Trochilus violae — jugulum?

Will you kindly give me your museum numbers for the types of

Meleagris g. osceola
Gnothlypis t. ignota
Sitta c. atkinsii

0 26991

I am sorry to hear that you are laid up, and hope you will soon be able again and as well as ever — Please thank Mr. Deane for the house he has taken for me — Have you heard that poor Stephens has lost his wife, and that his entire collection burned up. He is now in the desert shrub of Mutton calamity.

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Feby 11, 1898

Dear Brewster:

Here comes more from that good for nothing Fisher.

Well! he is glad to tell you that Stephens collection was not burned — Anthony writes that the published acct was a mistake, but that the fire took place in (Stephen's friend) Wright's herbarium at San Bernardino when Stephens was thinking of storing his collection.

What is the second your museum number of Acanthis brewsteri?

In reading over Hargitt's description (Ibis, 1886, 115) of Dryobates arizonae it is plain that it refers to two of your specimens (as you mention these two in your article, Auk, April 1885 199) Nos 2001 Jim and 2096 ♀ — Will you designate one of these as the type?

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Do you know where Maynard's type of
Cat. no. 210 ♂ Boston So. Nat Hist.
Ammodramus princeps is? I need the
serial museum number.

Also do you know where the type of
24407 2 shms
24408 both types not sexed W. & afor
Ammodramus c. nelsoni is? and whether
Dr. Bryant had any type for Callichelidon
cyaneoviridis

This is all I want to know now!

I agree with you in what you say about
these animated rat traps. It breaks my
heart to have to devote 3/4 of my time to such
trash in the field, when it could be devoted to
birds.

Yours sincerely

A. K. Fisher

Fisher, A. K.
Feb 11, 1895

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

— Nov 22 1899

— My dear Bonaparte

— Many thanks for your letter of the 16th inst, and also for the pope containing your [illegible] [illegible] which I [illegible] [illegible]. It looks now as if the [illegible] [illegible] be an issue in Staten Island [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] — I am much obliged for the [illegible] on Hawaiian [illegible] — I wanted them to convince the [illegible] authorities that the [illegible] was not an [illegible] high price [illegible] for [illegible]

Dear Sir

I have ~~[illegible]~~ given up hope of obtaining my collection in this country. I have been the California publications would work it. Dr. Stearns (I am [illegible]) does not [illegible] [illegible] I would make no effort to get it. If I knew more of the action was formally I would find out what their [illegible] - Dr. Stearns is my [illegible] - Pal.

I have the sale of Pima [illegible] work in my. [illegible] I have [illegible] [illegible]

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

Dear Mr.

Hart's health is never too good. If you or I should abuse our health as he does his own [illegible] he would call us fools! Still he does not seem to appreciate that he is doing wrong.

Last summer I was very much worried about him and at one time feared [illegible], but he had a rest and is some better. His heart is not very strong. If he would not overwork himself he would get along all [illegible], but he is so liable to pitch in and do twice the work he should do. I am [illegible]

Fisher — A.K.
Mar. 22.99

This spring [illegible] has been [illegible]
with [illegible] & although [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible], [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

With kind regards

Yours sincerely

[illegible]

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
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Feby 6, 1900

Dear Mr. Brewster

I am mighty glad to hear that you will make an effort to get your Lower California paper out —

I have heard nothing from the Paris Museum as yet and probably when I do it will be of very little comfort to me.

You know Temminck's Catalog systematique de son cabinet d'Ornithologie 1807, is considered quite a rare book — I understand that J. B. Baillière & Son (19 rue Hautefeuille) Paris has several copies

Fisher, A. K.
Feb. 6, 1900.

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C. HART MERRIAM, CHIEF
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F. E. L. BEAL,
ASST. IN CHARGE ECONOMIC ORNITHOLOGY

Nov. 5, 1902

My dear Brewster

You probably have heard of Doctor Merrill's death which took place in this city on Oct 27 –

As you know a memorial should be prepared for the coming meeting of the A.O.U. I feel moderately sure that Dr. Morrison would ask you to present this tribute if he knew of Merrill's death. Dr Morrison will not reach this city until the 10th and then it will be too late to

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Nov. 5 1902

do anything.

Don't you think that you are better qualified to do this work than other members of the A.O.U.

You have been more or less closely associated with him in the past, and know him better than the rest of us.

Are you willing to take this self imposed tasks?

If I can help you in collecting facts etc I shall be glad to —

Sincerely

[illegible]

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
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March 7 1898 –

Mr. Walter Deane
Cambridge, Mass

Dear Mr. Deane

Your kind favor is received. Of United States maps you want the General Land Office map (address Commissioner General Land Office Washington, D.C.) & the War Office map of the United U.S. (address Chief of Engineers U.S.A. Wash., D.C.)

I enclose a small map. The States not marked red are issued by the General Land Office. I have marked the states of the last edition (as far as I know) on the states, but it is always well to ask for the last edition.

These maps can be had for the asking, but as a rule of address, I suggest that you order only a portion at one time.

The P. Office Dept issues maps which are to be had for 10 cents but have little topography on them. These are for sales address Disbursing Clerk, Post Office

Dept., Wash., D.C.). I understand you can get them through your congress man free of charge.

The Texas Map is unusually good

Binders the Post route maps (of the States in red) you may be able to get copies from the Secretary of State of the various States

If you think of any leads let me know and I will try to help you.

Yours truly

A. K. Fisher

Fisher A. K.
Mar. 7, 1898.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
BUREAU OF BIOLOGICAL SURVEY
WASHINGTON, D. C.

October 5, 1905

Mr. Walter Deane
145 Brattle Street
Cambridge, Mass.

My dear Mr. Deane:

The specimen of Empidonax pulverius (No. 164,003) arrived in good condition. Many thanks for rescuing the specimen for us.

Your large brother seems to be on the hunt for the original copies of Audubon's 'Birds of America'.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

A K Fisher

Fisher A. K.
Oct. 5, 1905